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In re Application of
Wise, et al.
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Dear Mr Wise:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code), and 37 C.F.R. §1.47(b) (Rules of Practice in Patent Cases). Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

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